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PROTEIN AND USE THEREOF IN DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPY

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

In the Specification:

Insert the attached sequence listing at the end of the application.

Replace the third full paragraph on page 5 with the following paragraph re-written
in clean form:

B1
A functionally active variant of AQIFNKPYW (SEQ ID NO: 1) or AGVDNRECI (SEQ ID NO: 2) means a T-cell epitope which, in a T-cell cytotoxicity assay system (see, for example, Examples 2-5 of the present invention), has a cytotoxicity which, compared to the cytotoxicity of AQIFNKPYW (SEQ ID NO: 1) or AGVDNRECI (SEQ ID NO: 2), corresponds to at least the sum of the average of the negative controls and three times the standard deviation, preferably of at least approx. 30%, in particular at least approx. 50% and particularly preferably of at least approx. 80%.

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 5 and ending on page 6 with the
following paragraph re-written in clean form: